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## FIGHT DEVELOPING IN HOUSE ON BILL FOR HAWAII PROBE

Representatives Irwin and Lyman Openly Declare Opposition to Senate Measure

BIG ISLAND INFLUENCES  
AT WORK ON MEMBERS

Attorney General Na'is One Argument Being Used to Head Off the Investigation

Over the probe of Hawaii county financial affairs a big storm is brewing in the house, and it is expected to break tomorrow morning when senate bill 78 comes up for third reading in the lower house.

Senate bill 78 provides for the commission authorized to investigate the Hawaii tangle.

During the last few days there has been quietly organizing a strong opposition to the bill, the opposition being particularly strong in the Hawaii delegation. The Hawaii delegation, however, is not by any means a unit on the matter. Speaker Holstein favoring the bill and urging it emphatically. In fact, Mr. Holstein may possibly take the floor to help in the debate that seems sure to bring the question sharply before the representatives.

The publication last evening in the second edition of the Star-Bulletin of the fact that the bill had been postponed when time came for third reading brought the matter into the limelight this morning, and today the house is dividing for and against the senate measure.

Members of the house hint that several big Hawaii corporations are using their influence to head off a complete investigation of the county books and that they hope to confine the probe to the grand jury called by Judge Parsons. To this the backers of the measure reply that the grand jury was called to co-operate with the probe commission.

The fact that the senate bill is hanging in the balance has not been realized by the territorial authorities until within the last few hours. Not until third reading on the bill was deferred yesterday did the report develop that it had been postponed because its friends in the house had not secured votes enough to make its passage certain.

Attorney-General Thayer, who favors the bill as the best solution of the problem of getting at the Hawaii situation as well as the faults in all the structure of county government, declared this morning that the bill by all means should be passed. The senate is for the bill and apparently all the opposition has been stirred up in the lower house.

Wireless Urges Bill.  
The first lightning flashes of the impending storm that seems likely to burst in the house tomorrow when Senate Bill No. 78 is called on third reading, were streaked this morning just before the noon recess, when Speaker Holstein arose and read a wireless from Manager Watt, of Oahu plantation.

The message said: "Urge passage senate bill 78."

Instantly Representative Irwin was on his feet, demanding to know what disposition was to be made of the message. His face, naturally pale was still whiter with excitement and anger, and had opportunity offered the storm would probably have burst then. But he could do nothing. The speaker calmly replied that he read the message because it was addressed to the house, and went on record as a communication.

Open Opposition to Measure.

The noon recess was announced at once, and immediately afterward, in answer to queries by a Star-Bulletin representative, Dr. Irwin and Representative Norman K. Lyman of Hawaii openly announced their opposition to the measure. A few minutes later Representatives McCandless and Kalakela of Oahu also declared themselves against it, and it is tacitly understood that a number of others are supporting Irwin and Lyman, who appear today to be the leaders of the opposition.

Alleges Political Game.  
"It is simply a political game being played by Bob Breckons to get hold

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## SHOTS TO FIRE

If the American people permit this free sugar folly they simply countenance a repetition of the coffee manipulation. The result in the coffee deal was that a foreign country and an American trust made an alliance tremendously profitable to both, but expensive for the consumer.

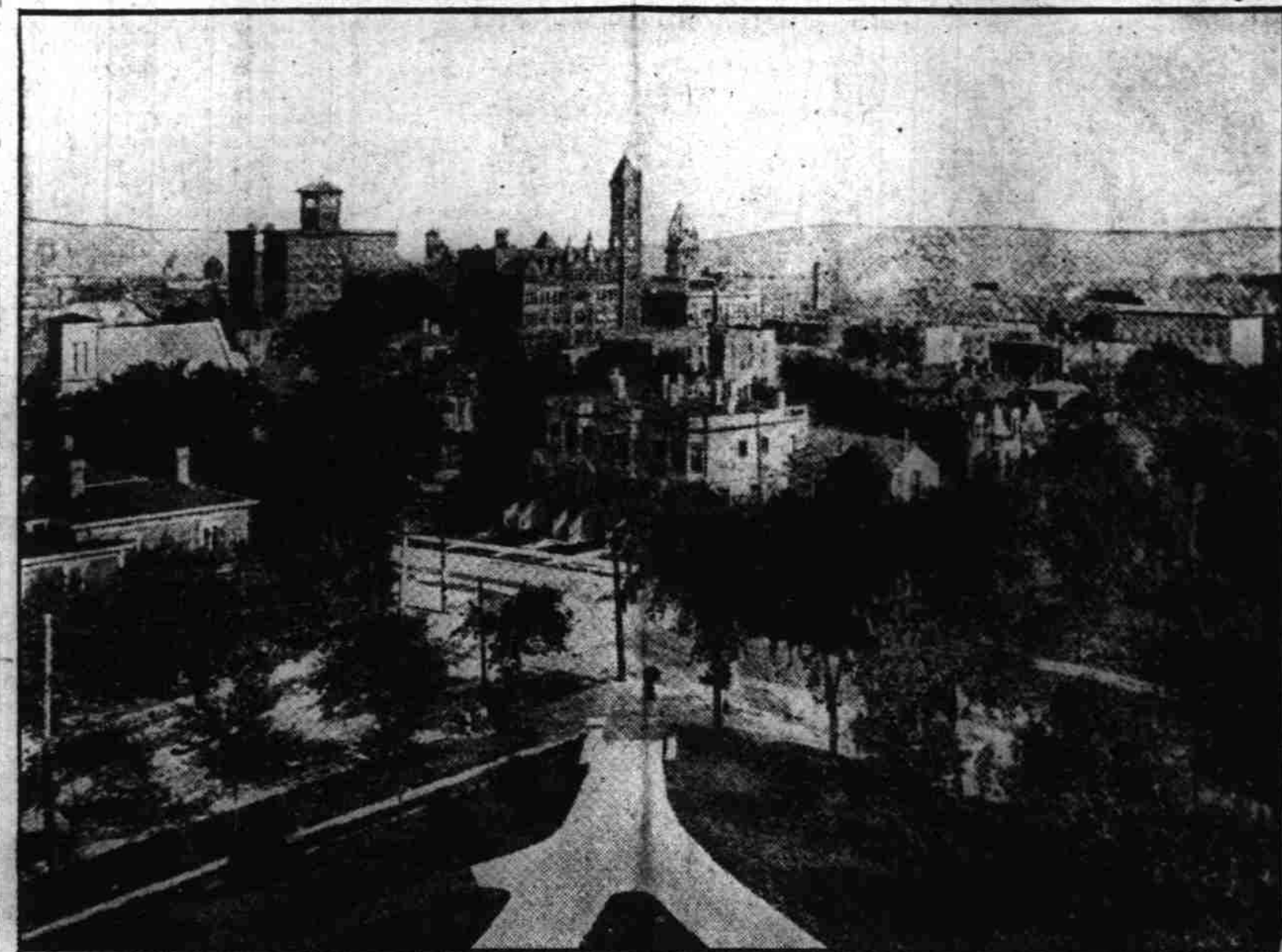
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## FLOODS FOLLOW TORNADO HORROR

WHERE THE TORNADO TORE THROUGH  
OMAHA LEAVING WAKE OF DESTRUCTION



View of the city of Omaha from the High School building. According to cable and wireless reports, the tornado cut a swath in some places six blocks wide through the residential and part of the business section. Omaha's many beautiful school buildings and churches and her parks and boulevards suffered immense loss.

## WOULD NAME IT HOW A STORMING PARTY WENT AFTER THE GOVERNOR TODAY

M'CANDLESS  
PARK

Advances notice of L. L. McCandless' approaching greatness as possibly the next governor of the territory was given in the house this morning when that body, after another of those neatly worded tabloid speeches for which Norman Watkins is becoming noted, passed a measure to set aside a tract at the Girls' Industrial School and name it McCandless park.

Oddly enough, the bill was conceived by a McCandless, E. J. being the author's initials. One or two amendments of a minor nature were tacked on before its final passage. Watkins, explaining his proposed amendment, changing the name from Kapalama to McCandless, said he considered it fitting that a man who had done much for the islands, "a prominent man, who doubtless is destined to adorn the governor's chair shortly," should receive this small token of the country's esteem. There was laughter from all sides, and applause from the Democratic side, and the amendment passed with a whoop.

"Remember, however," commented C. H. Cooke afterward, "that Governor Frear has to sign it before it becomes law."

A calm, like unto the ominous, breathless peace which presages the coming storm, brooded over the lower branch of the legislative body this morning. Bills were introduced, committee reports read, amended and adopted, and measures rushed through on final reading and the whole machinery moved with scarcely a semblance of friction. Kupuha was permitted to play a little neat politics and get away with it, before the eyes of all. He amended Kaweweh's seining bill so that Kaneohe, Oahu, the only place seriously affected, would not be included in its inhibitions.

Holstein was the only one that refused to vote for McCandless Park. Kupuha's minimum bill for municipal laborers in Honolulu went through without the noise of argument that has marked previous appearances of bills on the same subject. Even Kaniho, Paie and Poepeo, the generally recognized "dissenters" cast their ballots with the majority today. It looked as though the harmony was too good to continue long. The big storm and the deluge are predicted for tomorrow.

### Special Venue Needed

When the case of W. F. Hagemann, the soldier who is alleged to have killed his comrade, came up before Judge Clemons in the U. S. district court this morning it was found that but ten of the original venire of thirty were available. Accordingly, the case was delayed until March 27 at 1:30 o'clock. In the meantime, U. S. Marshal Hendry will serve a special venire of forty names. Attorney Lorin Andrews, who has taken up the defense of the soldier, has given no hint as yet of the defense that he will follow. The case promises to be one of the most puzzling that has come before the court in some time, however, inasmuch as the deceased man and the man who is alleged to have shot him were, up to within a very few moments of the shooting, the very best of friends.

Governor Frear's private office was invaded this morning by a number of legislators with blood in their eye. They got what they were after, too. Just after ten o'clock a delegation from the house came up the stairs to the executive chambers. At its head was Speaker Holstein, his jaw set in that Kohala style that brooks no opposition. He wore his legislative frock coat that has awed into submissive silence many a representative fresh from the untamed rations. In his hand he carried an official-looking document that might have been a declaration of war.

Behind Holstein marched Representative Clarence H. Cooke, his face stern, his hands clenched and a look of adamant determination on his banker's brow.

Next strode Representative Norman Watkins, the financial power of the house, chewing a cigar as big as a baseball bat and muttering fiercely under his breath.

Then came Representative George P. Cooke, smiling like a Viking going into battle or something just as bad. Speaker Holstein deployed in the upper hall and pretty soon had gathered into the storming party Secretary Mott-Smith, Attorney-General Thayer, Attorney Charles R. Hemenway—who was scouting around on general principle—and a newspaper man, who was scouting around on general principle. And the party descended upon the governor.

Governor Frear looked surprised, nonplussed, puzzled and almost scared as the invaders bore down upon him. Speaker Holstein hit an immortal attitude, like Spartacus, defying the gladiolus, opened the big, impressive

## DR. SILVESTRI SUCCEEDING IN BRINGING FRUIT FLY ENEMY HERE

"Dr. Silvestri cables this morning that he leaves Capetown for Sydney on the 26th inst."

This announcement of W. M. Giffard, president of the board of agriculture and forestry, this morning further noticed that the campaign for the overthrow of the Mediterranean fruit fly is progressing favorably.

"He would not be leaving for Sydney," said Mr. Giffard, "if he had not succeeded in creating a new colony of the fruit fly parasite in Capetown. This is good news. You see he has to keep the parasite alive. He has to have fruit fly for it to feed upon and

he has to have conditions right so that the parasite colonies will increase, grow and multiply.

"Of course we cannot tell what climatic conditions will bring about. A whole colony may be wiped out by some untoward incident of climatic conditions or lack of food and the whole work done over again, with this exception, that we now know where the parasite may be found. On the other hand it would seem that this risk is relatively small as Mr. Silvestri has had time to carefully study the conditions under which the parasite thrives, and he is thoroughly competent."

saki she had to make a turn before heading for sea. It was noticed as the vessel cleared the slipway that the wharf began to topple and down came a crane, a number of houses, etc. The walls appeared to give away from the suction of the propellers, according to the story told upon the arrival of the vessel here, but the Japanese authorities have another opinion so that when the Manchuria ties up there later it may cost somewhere in the vicinity of Yen 30,000 to get away. There was a report to the effect that a Japanese woman in one of the houses was killed.

The departure of the Manchuria for San Francisco at noon today was an animated one. A larger crowd of spectators has seldom gathered at

## RAVAGED CITIES NOW FIGHTING MAD TORRENT OF WATER

Dams And Levees in River Valleys Break  
And Country is Inundated—Dayton, Cincinnati, Columbus, Indianapolis Suffer—All Count of Deaths Lost

[Associated Press Cable]  
CINCINNATI, Ohio, March 25.—The National Guard has been called out to organize the relief work and to prevent looting during the confusion.

[Associated Press Cable]  
OMAHA, Neb., March 25.—The rescue work is being carried on in three inches of snow. The weather is bitter cold and the suffering is growing much worse as a consequence.

The official city reports now give 2179 as homeless and 262 as absolutely destitute.

[Associated Press Cable]  
OMAHA, Neb., March 25.—This city is still paralyzed from the terrible destruction of the tornado of last Sunday evening. While no exact estimates of the loss can be made, it is believed that the estimate of 200 dead in and around the city is far too small, and that the property loss will run over ten millions of dollars.

Where the storm swept through the city, the scene of destruction is unparalleled. Buildings have been reduced to masses of wood and twisted timbers and steel, and streets and even parks almost torn to pieces.

## DAYTON VISITED BY FLOODS AS DAMS GIVE WAY

[Associated Press Cable]  
DAYTON, Ohio, March 25.—Following on the heels of the great tornado has come one of the worst floods in the history of this country. The Miami, Mad and Stillwater rivers, and Wolf creek are pouring floods through the streets and in some places the water has reached a depth of fifteen feet. The entire city except for isolated spots is covered with three feet of water.

The seriousness of the floods is heightened by the breaking of the big dam above here, following which the levees weakened by the strain, were torn away and the waters poured out over the country, sweeping away many buildings and driving the people to the roofs and higher ground.

The loss of life here is reported as twenty-five. The railroad bridge was dynamited in order to break it down and set free a gigantic mass of wreckage that had piled up against the structure and threatened to inundate the city with the water backing up as in a dam. Other bridges were swept down in the floods.

One big factory is marooned with the employees waiting for outside help to take them from the danger zone.

Rail and wire communications with the surrounding towns are severed and communication with the outside world is carried by message from the flooded districts.

According to reports here, the surrounding country is inundated.

## DESTRUCTION AND DEATH FAR AND WIDE

[Associated Press Cable]

CHICAGO, Ill., March 25.—The loss in Cook county alone is estimated at \$1,000,000.

LESLIE, Ark., A tornado which struck this town on Monday night killed eight people.

BERLIN, Neb., March 25.—Ten are dead here as a result of the tornado. Only two buildings are left standing in the town.

MAKANDA, Ill., March 25.—Twelve people were killed here.

CLARKSVILLE, Ark., March 25.—One was killed in this town in the tornado.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 25.—Several people were killed by the tornado which touched this state at a number of points.

DELAWARE, Ohio, March 25.—Nineteen dead and thirty to fifty missing is the toll of the tornado and flood here.

KOKOMO, Ind., March 25.—The water is eight feet deep in this town.

HAMILTON, Ind., March 25.—Floors here are buried beneath five feet of water.

MARION, Ind., March 25.—The levee along the river banks here has broken and five hundred people are fleeing for their lives, abandoning their homes and goods.

Impressive and interesting Easter services were held at the Oahu prison last Sunday under the auspices of the Oahu Young People's Christian Union. The inmates gathered on the prison lawn under the kamani tree and listened attentively to several speeches and a musical program.

Alakea wharf, than that assembled to witness the sailing of the big Pacific Mailer with its delegation of local people as well as a large crowd of grand opera stars.

Society was out in force. The territorial band played a selection of melodies ranging from grave to gay.

Twenty-nine hundred tons of Oriental freight was discharged from the liner during a twenty-four hour stay at the port. Over one hundred passengers found accommodation aboard the Manchuria before the vessel pulled away from the wharf.

## CINCINNATI FLOODED

[Associated Press Cable]  
CINCINNATI, O., March 25.—The streets are flooded here and people are fleeing the city. The situation is growing more and more serious.

## COLUMBUS ISOLATED

COLUMBUS, O., March 25.—Practically all the bridges in the city and nearby country are down and the lowlands flooded. The residents are panic-stricken and many of them are leaving by any means available.

## MAYOR IS DROWNED

DELAWARE, O., March 25.—The mayor and eleven people of this city have been drowned in a terrible flood that swept over Delaware county when the Scioto river left its banks and the tide of waters rushed over the low-lying country to the south.

## INDIANAPOLIS IN DANGER

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 25.—Four are known to be dead in this city as the result of the tornado and floods, and the city is without fire protection, the water system having been torn up and broken by the force of wind and water.

Purdue University at Lafayette, Ind., is cut off by floods in the Wabash valley, and general inundation throughout the state is reported. Five thousand families in Indiana are said to be homeless and fleeing.

## MANY VALLEY CITIES SUFFER FROM WATERS

AKRON, O., March 25.—The reservoir here has been broken and everybody is in flight.

BELLEVILLE, O., March 25.—The Big Four train here was washed into the river but luckily no lives were lost.

LOGANSPOUT, Ind., March 25.—The business section of this city is flooded and the waters are still rising.

SPRINGFIELD, O., March 25.—Hundreds of homes here are under water.

## SUGAR

SAN FRANCISCO, March 24.—Sugar: 96 degrees test, 3.51 cents. Previous quotation, 3.58 cents.

Charged by a fellow shipmate with the theft of a valuable watch and some money, William Rink, a third engineer in the Kosmos line freighter Karnak, was arraigned at District court this morning, and through an interpreter, entered a plea of not guilty.

The motion to quash the indictment against Samuel D. Hausman, the aged Seattle merchant, who is held by local authorities for alleged opium-smuggling, will come up before the U. S. district court this afternoon.